Order, 1989 on the ground that Oral Rehydration Salt is not a single bulk drug but is a combination of a number of inorganic salts and dextrose. The Category-I list consists of single bulk drugs for the purpose of price control with M.A.P.E. (Minimum Allowable Post/manufacturing Expenses) of 75 per cent.

Drugs used in National TB Eradication Programme

694. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 2218 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 14th March, 1989 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are certain drugs used in National TB Eradication Programme which have not been included under Category-I of Drugs Price Control Order;

(b) if so, names of those drugs;

(c) what are the reasons for non-inclusion of such drugs;

(d) what is the policy in this regard; and

(e) what is the recommendation of expert committee appointed by Government in respect to the drugs which have not been included?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) to (d) The drug Rifampicin which is used in National T.B. Programme has been re-categorised from Category-I to Category-II to boost basic production of the drug in the country for serving as an incentive for abundant supply of the drugs.

(e) The recommendation of Expert Committee appointed by the Government is still under consideration.

Authority to decide Chief Executive of the recognised association

695. DR. NAGEN SAIKIA:
PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that power to decide which of the office bearers of a recognised association of Central Government employees should be designated as the Chief Executive rests with the concerned associations;

(b) if so, whether the recognising agency is empowered to amend/curtail the powers of the association in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (c) The authority to decide as to who should be the Chief Executive, rests with the concerned association in terms of the Constitution of the Association. The Recognising Agency can intervene only when any provisions in the Constitution/Bye-Laws of the association violates the condition for granting recognition.

Functioning of JCM Councils

696. DR. NAGEN SAIKIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in a recent circular dated the 27th October, 1988 issued by the Government of India (Department of Personnel) have emphasised the need of functioning of JCM Councils to the satisfaction of the Staff-side;

(b) if so, whether this applies to JCM councils of Corporation/Societies controlled and funded by the Government of India; and

(c) if so, the details of action taken/suggested against the erring councils of these corporations/Societies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The instructions were issued only with reference to the JCM Scheme of the Central Govt.

(c) Does not arise.

Villages covered in Madhya Pradesh under Village Health Guide Scheme

697. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of villages in Madhya Pradesh covered by the Village Health Guide Scheme, as on date;

(b) the details of the facilities available to the residents of these villages under this scheme;

(c) the total amount spent in the implementation of this scheme, as on date; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to monitor this scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) As reported by the State Government, there are 37,000 Village Health Guides on roll in 465 blocks of Madhya Pradesh.

(b) Village Health Guide is a local person, selected by the community who is given three months' training in primary health care, including provision of relief in common ailment conditions. Village Health Guide is paid a monthly honorarium of Rs. 50/- to meet out pocket expenses.

(c) The total amount spent on the implementation of this scheme since 1977-78 is Rs. 274 crores.

(d) The work of the Village Health Guide is subject to the scrutiny of the community. Only technical guidance is provided by the Medical staff of Primary Health Centre.

Major and minor projects of Madhya Pradesh

698. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the major and minor projects of Madhya Pradesh pending clearance with the Central Government at present;

(b) by when these projects are likely to be cleared; and

(c) what is the total cost of these projects?

THE MINISTER OF PLANNING AND THE MINISTER OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI MADHAVSINH SOLANKI): (a) to (e) State Governments send their projects to the concerned Central ministries for examination and clearance. However, Planning Commission accords investment approval for major and medium irrigation projects, Flood Control Schemes costing more than Rs. 60 lakhs and power projects, after these are cleared by the various concerned agencies of the Government of India including Ministry of Environment and Forests. No such project from Madhya Pradesh Government is pending for investment approval in the Planning Commission presently.

Shortfalls in the annual plan outlays

699. SHRI CHITTA BASU: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a likelihood of 10 to 13 per cent shortfall in the